

must be guided by the best informed intelligence and analysis our diplomats and intelligence officers can provide. To suppress that information could jeopardize the success of our policies and endanger the lives of our citizens.

Second, it would be folly for our national security leaders to see American problems abroad simply as PR issues to be addressed through an aggressive ad and spin control campaign. We cannot afford to block out the insights and the analyses and the assessments of our regional and country experts in the State Department and elsewhere in the United States Government.

Mr. Gingrich has openly and loudly attacked the integrity of the men and women in the State Department. Moreover, he has advocated positions that would weaken our ability to confront the challenges we face abroad. Allowing him to remain on the Defense Policy Advisory Board would send a terrible signal. It would send a message to the men and women who work every day to protect our national security and advance our interests abroad that his statements are acceptable to this White House and this administration.

Mr. Gingrich should do the right thing now and resign from the board. If he does not resign, the President, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of State should hold him accountable for his statements, and they should demand his resignation from the board. The Bush administration can either stand by the statements of Mr. Gingrich or they can make it clear that those statements are unacceptable.

Mr. President, Secretary Rumsfeld, Secretary Powell, where do you stand?

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of attending the funeral of Sgt. Roger Rowe who was killed in Iraq.

Mr. DEFAZIO (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today after 2:30 p.m. on account of official business in the district.

Mr. McNULTY (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today after 12:55 p.m. on account of personal reasons.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MENENDEZ, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DOGGETT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SANDLIN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. NORWOOD) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WOLF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, for 5 minutes, July 23.

Mr. HENSARLING, for 5 minutes, July 23.

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GUTKNECHT, for 5 minutes, July 21, 22, 23, and 24.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 314. An act to make improvements in the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 499. An act to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 546. An act to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources; in addition to the Committee on Agriculture for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 643. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 651. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 677. An act to revise the boundary of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 924. An act to authorize the exchange of lands between an Alaska Native Village Corporation and the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1076. An act to authorize construction of an education center at or near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, to the Committee on Resources.

S. 1399. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South Vine Street in Glenwood, Iowa, as the "William J. Scherle Post Office Building", to the Committee on Government Reform.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 44 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday July 21,

2003, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3263. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Dried Prunes Produced in California; Changes in Reporting Requirements [Docket No. FV03-993-1 IFR] received July 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3264. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV03-930-2 FR] received July 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3265. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Irish Potatoes Grown in Colorado; Increase in Membership on the Area No. 2 Colorado Potato Administrative Committee [Docket No. FV03-948-1 FR] received July 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3266. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Fees for Federal Meat Grading and Certification Services [Docket No. LS-02-06] (RIN: 0581-AC13) received 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3267. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Control of Listeria monocytogenes in Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products [Docket No. 97-013F] (RIN: 0583-AC46) received July 14, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3268. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report on orders issued to protect Safeguards Information; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3269. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective June 1, 2003, the 15% Danger Pay Allowance for Jordan was terminated due to the ending of authorized departure status, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

3270. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on "Overseas Surplus Property," pursuant to Public Law 105-277, section 2215; to the Committee on International Relations.

3271. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that the export to Iraq of the certain body armor, nuclear, biological and chemical protective equipment, and military equipment (such as small arms and ammunition) for use in reconstituting the Iraqi military or police forces, is in the national interest of the United States (Transmittal No. DDTC 01IZ-03), pursuant to Public Law 108-11, section 1504; to the Committee on International Relations.

3272. A letter from the Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, Department of Agriculture, transmitting notification that it is in the public interest to use procedures other than competitive procedures for a contract involving the National